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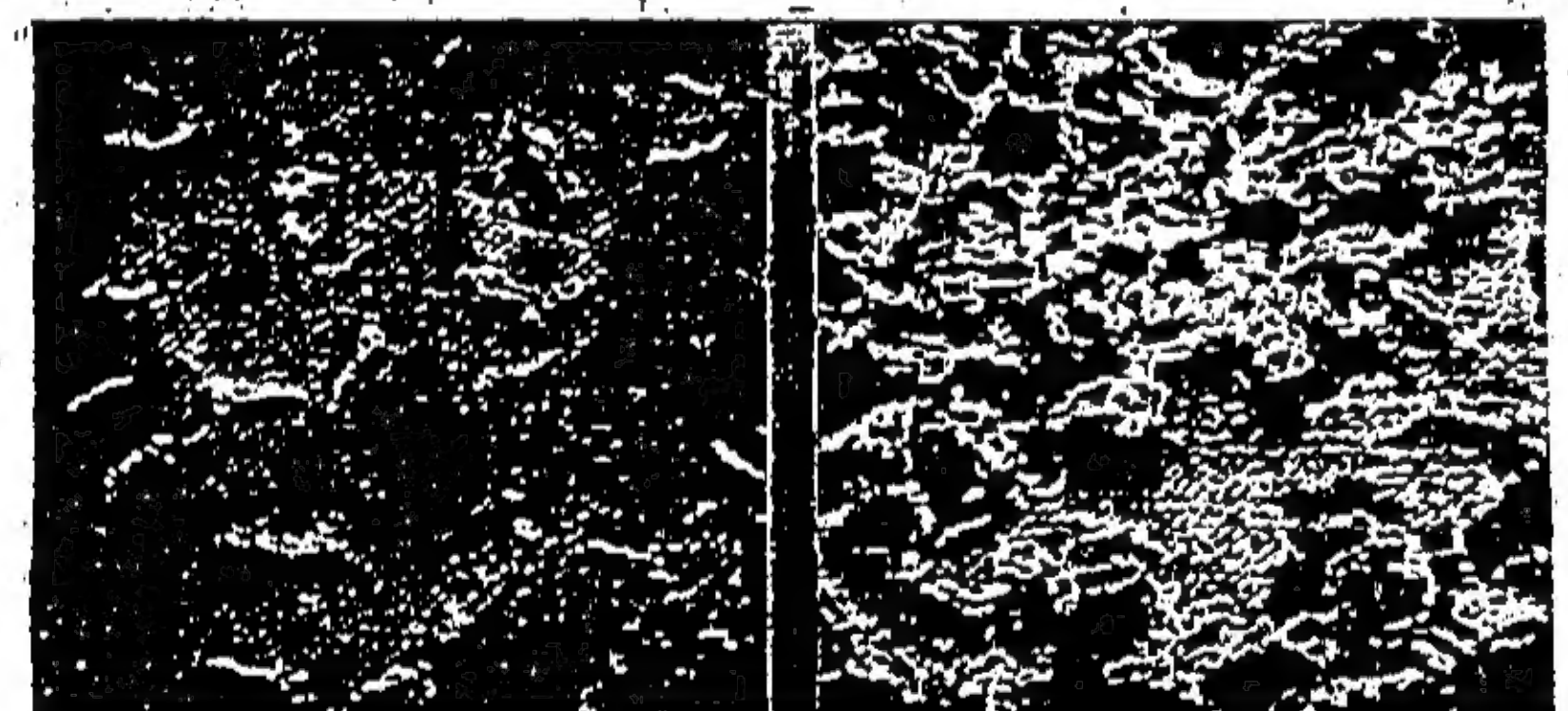
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## LOCAL SPORT.

### CRICKET.

**C.S.C.C. v. H.K.C.C. "A."**  
The Civil Service Cricket Club, captained by Mr. E. W. Hamilton decisively defeated the Hongkong Cricket Club "A" in a first division league fixture, thus establishing themselves as champions in both divisions this season.  
The game was played on the C.S.C.C. ground, the visitors batting first, and being dismissed for 49. B. D. Evans taking three wickets for 13 runs. The home team scored 56 runs for 4 wickets, Sayer scoring 23. G. Vallack took 3 wickets for 13 runs.  
Scores:—  
H.K.C.C. "A":  
A. W. Hayward, run out ..... 0  
T. E. Pearce, c Wallington, b Ling ..... 1  
R. E. Walker, b Evans ..... 13  
Capt. Morris, run out ..... 10  
M. M. Maas, c and b Evans ..... 5  
W. Galloway, b Reed ..... 8  
E. Jackson, c Wallington, b Reed ..... 1  
G. Vallack, b Evans ..... 4  
S. Arthur, b Reed ..... 2  
J. N. Young, b Evans ..... 4  
Extras ..... 1  
Total ..... 49  
Bowling Analysis:  
O. M. R. W.  
Reed ..... 10 2 25 3  
Ling ..... 5 1 11 1  
Evans ..... 4 5 0 12 4  
C.S.C.C.:  
G. E. Sayer, l.b.w., b Vallack ..... 23  
F. J. de Rome, c Morris, b ..... 9  
Walker ..... 9  
F. E. Lawrence, b Vallack ..... 0  
B. D. Evans, c Morris, b Vallack ..... 4  
E. C. Fincher, not out ..... 10  
F. H. Baker, not out ..... 1  
Extras ..... 9  
Total (for 4 wickets) ..... 56  
H. J. Wallington, E. W. Hamilton, F. H. Holdman, E. B. Reed and F. J. Ling did not bat.  
Bowling Analysis:  
O. M. R. W.  
Young ..... 5 1 21 0  
Vallack ..... 7 1 13 3  
Walker ..... 5 1 13 1

### BOWLING ANALYSIS.

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F. H. Baker, not out ..... 1  
Extras ..... 9  
Total (for 4 wickets) ..... 56

### UNIVERSITY v. NAVY.

On the University ground, the home team beat the Navy by 23 runs. The Navy, batting first, knocked up 130. Lieut. Col. Cantrell (not out 55) and West (25) being the highest scorers. A. A. Rumjahn took 4 wickets for 25. Balhatchet, 3 for 38, and the Rev. E. K. Quick, 3 for 43.  
The University played forceful cricket and passed their opponents' score. The Rev. E. K. Quick scored 47, and A. S. Holt 33. For the Navy, Hargreaves took 5 wickets for 29 runs and Cantrell 3 for 37.  
Scores:—  
THE NAVY:  
Lieut. Comdr. Jotham, b Quick ..... 12  
Capt. West, b Rumjahn ..... 25  
Lieut. Cantrell, b Quick ..... 55  
Pay Comdr. Pafford, c Hett ..... 19  
Rumjahn ..... 2  
Lieut. Vauchoppe, b Rumjahn ..... 1  
Pay-Lieut. Comdr. Hargreaves, b Quick ..... 3  
Lieut. Col. Cantrell, not out ..... 55  
Pay Comdr. Osborne, b Rumjahn ..... 0  
Simpson, b Balhatchet ..... 19  
Bevan, b Balhatchet ..... 2  
Lieut. Comdr. Durnford, l.b.w., b Balhatchet ..... 9  
Extras ..... 10  
Total ..... 150  
Bowling Analysis:  
O. M. R. W.  
Hett ..... 3 0 14 0  
Balhatchet ..... 11 2 38 3  
Rev. Quick ..... 14 1 43 3  
Rumjahn ..... 7 1 45 4  
UNIVERSITY:  
H. N. Balhatchet, l.b.w., b Can. trell ..... 24  
A. A. Rumjahn, b Durnford ..... 7  
Rev. E. K. Quick, b Hargreaves ..... 47  
B. P. Ng, b Cantrell ..... 5  
A. S. Hett, b Bevan ..... 33  
T. O. Yeow, b Durnford ..... 1  
W. Gittins, b Cantrell ..... 1  
C. W. Lam, b Hargreaves ..... 25  
E. Zimmerman, l.b.w., b Hargreaves ..... 7  
W. H. Sling, not out ..... 14  
B. N. Sudan, b Jotham ..... 0  
Extras ..... 19  
Total ..... 173  
Bowling Analysis:  
O. M. R. W.  
Hargreaves ..... 7 3 29 3  
Cantrell ..... 14 2 37 3  
Durnford ..... 9 0 58 2  
Bevan ..... 2 0 12 1  
Pafford ..... 4 0 13 0  
Jotham ..... 1.1 0 5 1

### FOOTBALL.

**SURREYS BEAT UNIVERSITY.**  
Only one game in the football league was played on Saturday, the East Surreys Reserves beating the University by 7 goals to 1. The University failed to turn out at full strength and played throughout with ten men only. Robinson opened the score for the Surreys who crossed over leading by 3 goals to 1. In the second half the East Surreys put on four more goals. The scorers on each side were: Robinson (2), Stairs (2), Peakitt, Ballard and Cheesman for the East Surreys, and B. A. Jap for the University.  
St. Joseph's "B" failed to turn out at Bookunpoo, and forfeited the points to South China "A."

## YACHTING.

### GOOD PERFORMANCES OVER THE WEEK END.

Some interesting racing was seen on Saturday and yesterday in events contested under the auspices of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. In a regatta on Saturday for the Commodore's Cup (Handicap and I. Design) the competing yachts finished as under:—  
Handicap and I. Design.

Yacht	Handicap	Corrected time	Position
Bella	scr.	5.00.04	1
Diana	1.52	5.04.26	3
Falcon	11.15	5.03.23	2
Aifu	23.50	5.05.35	4
Daphne	24.52	5.14.13	6
Halycon	25.18	5.12.30	5
La Linda	44.1	5.30.01	7

Saturday's other results were:—  
BELLICIS AND WARREN MEMORIAL CUPS.

Yacht	Handicap	Corrected time	Position
Gael	scr.	4.31.00	2
Mee Sing	00.24	4.38.03	3
Joan	scr.	4.39.31	1
Thecla	02.17	4.48.30	5
Pierrette	01.21	4.38.21	4

Yacht	Handicap	Corrected time	Position
Sealark	scr.	4.45.43	8
Bluenose	scr.	4.39.14	3
Boujan	scr.	4.32.34	1
Adèle	scr.	4.41.45	5
Adamac	scr.	4.38.53	4
Ursula	scr.	4.34.13	2
Belinda	02.17	4.47.23	7

**YESTERDAY'S RACE.**  
Yesterday, the Consolation Cup was contested, when Dorothea was returned the winner pending a protest. The yachts finished as under:—

Yacht	Handicap	Corrected time	Position
La Linda H3	scr.	3.24.53	
Dorothea H9	0.30	3.22.03	
Sealark Y2	27.05	3.25.09	
Adèle Y3	27.05	3.30.20	

### LAWN TENNIS.

#### H.K.C.C. TOURNAMENT.

The games down for decision in the Hongkong Cricket Club's Lawn Tennis Tournament this afternoon are as under:—  
Mixed Doubles—Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Smith v. Mr. and Mrs. Woodward.  
Open Doubles—A. S. Hett and G. B. Sayer v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn.  
Handicap Doubles—W. Ironside and C. C. Hickling v. P. H. Bonnerman and G. van Egmund.  
Open Championship Doubles—C. and J. Choo v. Ng Sze Cheung and Yung Hin Lun; Dr. J. Aubrey and Dr. D. R. Gawler v. F. H. Henslowe and H. C. Gould.  
Handicap Singles—"B"—H. S. Armstrong v. D. D. Dryden.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

#### ENTRIES FOR FOURTH EXTRA MEETING.

The entries for the Fourth Extra Meeting, to be held on Saturday, May 2nd, at Happy Valley, under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club, closed on Saturday.

It is noteworthy that Mr. Beith has only entered Charcoal, whose name appears in the Stakes. Messrs. Dyer and Beith's string are being given a rest, while Grey Knight is now entered in the name of Mrs. Austen.

New York has also changed hands and is now Mr. Basto's property. Most of Mr. Dymally's ponies left for Shanghai on Saturday, while the names of the Tugart ponies are also absent, as it has been decided to give both of them a "spell." The four handicaps have been fairly well patronised and entries will be published as soon as the weights appear. Entries for other events follow:—  
COLONIAL STAKES (5 furlongs).—Solly, The Critic, Wimmera, Saracen, Beauty Dahlia, Uncle Tam, Uncle Charlie, The Wasp, Aucherreech, Teashop, Strathallan, Quab, New York, Alcantara, Dictator.

AGGREGATE STAKES (1 mile).—Dictator, Dahlia, Phoenix, Beauty Dahlia, Golden Leaf, Gypsy Love, Beauty Dahlia, Aucherreech, The Wasp, Golden Chrysanthemum, Curiosity Shop, Beldorney Star, Baby Eyes, King Emperor, Charcoal.

DOMINION PLATE (1 1/2 miles).—Phenomenal Dahlia, Valiant, Poppy Leaf, Gypsy Love, Uncle Alf, Grey Knight, Golden Chrysanthemum, Beldorney Star, Baby Eyes, King Alfred.

HONGKONG PLATE (1 mile).—The Critic, Lambie, Jambu, Langsat, New York.

### CINEMA NOTES.

#### QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Camille," the Nazimova production for Metro Pictures Corporation, which is being shown for the last time to-day at the Queen's Theatre, is the Russian star's modernized version of the famous story of Alexandre Dumas, the younger. This story, famed throughout the civilized world as a masterpiece of love and sacrifice, was the first play written by the younger Dumas and was done when he was twenty years of age. He is said to have written it in eight days. His father pronounced it a masterpiece but it was denied production by managers because of its usual character.

#### WORLD THEATRE.

In "The Rejected Woman," the distinctive feature which will be shown at the World Theatre to-day, Alma Rubens and Conrad Nagel play the leading parts. Nagel takes the part of a wealthy New Yorker, who is addicted to frequent flights in his speedy aeroplane. John Lynch, veteran author of this screen play, prepared his story so that Nagel comes to earth practically at the feet of the girl with whom he is destined to fall in love.

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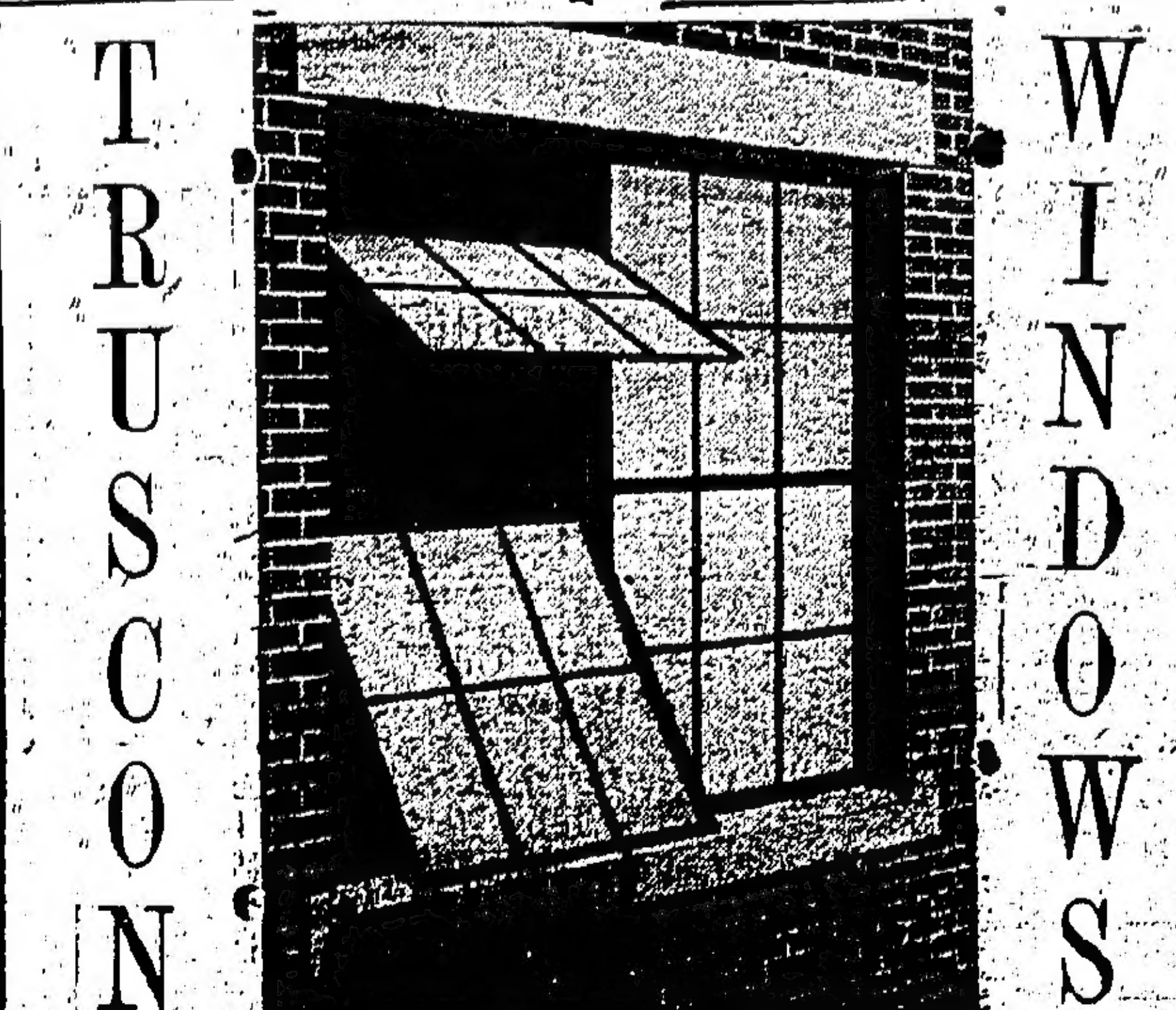
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The horses were consigned to the American Express Company here by the American Consul-General in Bombay for transshipment to Manila.

The Manager of the American Express Company made arrangements with the Hongkong Jockey Club that the horses should be stabled at Causeway Bay until ready for shipment by the Blue Funnel s.s. *Helena*, which sailed from here on Saturday afternoon.

While the "Arabs" were here, the American Express Company and the Management of the Jockey Club Stables courteously gave every facility to visitors anxious to see an "Arab" in the flesh, and full advantage was taken of the unusual opportunity.

The Indian in charge of them was justly proud of his job—even to the extent of stating how one of them had won 24 out of 25 races! This story was somewhat discounted, however, by the Indian's statement that the purchase price was Rs.1,000 per head!

From enquiries made by a *Daily Press* representative, it would appear that none of the ponies have ever been raced. They have been purchased, on behalf of the American Government, with a view to improving the breed of the ponies in the Philippines so as to ensure suitable mounts for the troops and constabulary.

### "PROPHYLACTIC."

ALLEGED INFRINGEMENT OF  
TRADE MARK.

DEFENDANTS WIN THEIR CASE.

At the Central Magistracy on Saturday the case in which the Tai Yau Company, who were summoned for the alleged infringement of the "Prophylactic" tooth-brush trade mark, namely that they sold one "Protector" tooth-brush and one "Prophylactic" tooth-brush, to both of which false trade descriptions had been applied, came on for trial.

Mr. J. R. Wood, who gave his decision in favour of the defendants.

Mr. Hugh Jones was for the prosecution and Mr. M. K. Lo for the defence.

His Worship stated that he found in favour of the defendants on a point of law raised by Mr. Lo for the defence. He had decided that under the Ordinance, no offence had been committed, inasmuch as there had been no false trade description applied within the provisions of the Ordinance under which the summons had been taken out. He further ordered that the complainants should pay to the defendants \$50 as costs.

His Worship also ordered the release of the tooth-brushes seized by the police.

Mr. Lo stated that the Tai Yau Company had voluntarily decided not to sell any more "Protector" tooth-brushes in the yellow boxes.

### BOMBS FOUND ON SHIP.

"SHING MING'S" COMPADORE  
LET OFF LIGHTLY.

At the Central Magistracy on Saturday, before Mr. S. B. B. McKelvey, Chin Chik Nam, the compadore of the river-boat, Shing Ming, was charged with the unlawful possession of seven bombs.

It was stated by Sergeant Carey that in company with Sub-Inspector Fallon he boarded the *Shing Ming* on the afternoon of April 10th. When a search was made on the vessel, seven bombs were found in the compadore's cabin. These were made out of cigarette tins, in which dynamite, detonators, fuse, glass, sand and other substances had been put as explosive material.

Mr. McKelvey, who defended, pleaded guilty on behalf of the defendant, and said that such bombs as these were in common use for taking precautions against pirates. The bombs were not unlike those used in France during the War. They were put up in cigarette tins with a stick of dynamite, detonator and fuse and surrounded with minies that would do damage. They were infernal and dangerous to everybody, but the ship's people did not recognise that fact. His Worship fined defendant \$10 and ordered the confiscation of the bombs.

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# A SHIPMASTER'S CLAIM. THE EYESIGHT CASE. PLAINTIFF WRONGLY DISMISSED, BUT JUDGMENT ENTERED FOR DEFENDANTS.

In the Supreme Court on Saturday morning, the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gault) gave judgment in the case of Kettlewell v. the China Navigation Co. It took Sir Henry three quarters of an hour to read his judgment.

## THE QUESTION OF HOME LEAVE.

After setting out at some length the terms of the Agreement of service dated April 25th, 1919, and certain agreements between the defendants and the China Coast Officers' Guild, and an award made as to the result of certain arbitration proceedings between the defendants and the Guild, dated July 18th, 1917, His Lordship said:—

"This award deals with questions of rates of pay and rates and conditions of pension, but the only portion of it which in my opinion is material for the purpose of this case is that which deals with the payment of gratuities and is in the following terms:—

"Should a master, officer or engineer be permanently incapacitated for further service in a Company under his certificate, through no fault of his own, and before qualifying for a pension, he shall receive a sum equivalent to one month's pay receivable by him at the time of his retirement through being so incapacitated by the number of years service he has completed with the Company (leave and/or sickness to be reckoned as service)."

It may be well to deal at this point with the question of the admissibility of certain evidence tendered on behalf of defendants by which it was sought to prove that the practice followed in respect of the grant of home leave to officers was conditional in each case on the officer returning to the service of the defendants. Mr. Jenkin, on behalf of the plaintiff, objected to this evidence on the ground that the terms of the employment of the plaintiff were contained in a completed agreement in writing and that consequently extraneous evidence on the intentions of the parties was not admissible. But as I have stated the documents other than the Agreement of April 25th, 1919, are not complete in themselves and it is only possible to gather what the meaning of these other documents is by reference to the conduct of those affected by them, and I have, therefore, allowed evidence bearing on conduct to be given. The major part of the evidence on this point was gathered from the examination of Mr. G. M. Young, the local Manager of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and from the documents which he produced. In a circular dated January 1st, 1914, (G.M.Y.), which purported to grant six months' leave on half pay to officers in defendants' employ, and was issued by Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, it was expressly stated that this leave would only be granted to officers intending to return to the service of the defendants. This condition also appears in G.M.Y., G.M.Y., and G.M.Y., and defendants contend that this evidence, as well as their general practice as deposed to by Mr. Young, makes it clear that, with one exception, they have consistently enforced this condition. The only exception is that of the case of Mr. J. Lewis, and engineer of the s.s. *Tean*, whose engagement was terminated in 1922 by notice, and who was granted leave on full pay in the very special circumstances of his case, to which I need not refer in detail.

It was urged on behalf of the plaintiff that the Guild never admitted the limitation placed by defendants on the grant of home leave, and the case of Mr. Hibbert was brought forward in support of this statement. By their letter of June 18th, 1920 (G.M.Y.), the Guild claimed, on behalf of Mr. Hibbert, that he would have served five years and six months on the termination of his engagement, he was entitled to nine months' leave on half pay; and that no qualification should be made as to his returning to the defendants' service at the end of this period. By their letter of June 20th, 1920 (G.M.Y.), Messrs. Butterfield and Swire reiterated their position on this point, and the matter then appears to have been dropped. After a careful consideration of the documents bearing on this question, and of the practice which has been followed in granting home leave to officers in defendants' employ, I have come to the conclusion that defendants never in fact agreed to grant home leave to officers except on condition that they were returning to defendants' employ; and that defendants' contention with regard to this matter must be upheld. No clear and distinct agreement on the subject seems ever to have been reached by the Guild and Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, and I am of opinion that the grant of six months' leave on full pay is in the nature of a concession to which defendants were entitled to attach such conditions as they thought proper.

## WRONGFUL DISMISSAL.

As I have said, plaintiff entered defendants' service in July, 1919, and served on their ships as Second and First Officer, and as acting Master; and it is conceded by defendants that he was in every way a competent and trustworthy officer. So much so that his dismissal by the defendants arose out of steps taken with a view to his appointment to the command of the s.s. *Hammer*, a ship belonging to the defendants. Desiring that the plaintiff's eyesight should be tested before he was actually appointed, Captain Innes, the Marine Superintendent of the defendants, directed him to present himself for examination by Dr. Morrison who was a member of the firm of Medical Officers employed by the defendants.

It now becomes necessary to consider in detail the evidence given by the medical witnesses in his case on the subject of the eyesight of the plaintiff, for it is on the opinion expressed by their Medical Officer, Dr. Harston, as to the defective nature of plaintiff's eyesight, that the defendants dismissed plaintiff, and now seek to meet his claim for damages for wrongful dismissal.

His Lordship having reviewed the evidence given by Dr. Harston, Dr. Morrison, Dr. Aubrey, and Dr. R. A. Bellios, of Shanghai, proceeded to say:—

This closes the evidence of the scientific witnesses called on behalf of the parties to this action, but the evidence of Capt. William Anderson, who is master of the s.s. *Idony*, was taken on commission and adduced on behalf of the plaintiff. The plaintiff served under Capt. Anderson from October 30th, 1924, to January 1st, 1925, as second and then as first officer, and the latter states that knowing the former had been dismissed from the service of the defendants on account of an alleged defect in his eyesight, he paid particular attention to plaintiff when performing his duties on the bridge. Capt. Anderson states that he found the plaintiff's eyesight was quite right, and that he was able to perform all a bridge officer's duties such as picking up, and taking dipping compass bearings of, lights at full range, picking up land in daylight, and vessels and boats without lights, and taking stellar observations even under unfavourable conditions.

As I have already stated, defendants dismissed plaintiff from their service in consequence of the report of Dr. Harston as to the defective character of his eyesight, and they seek to justify this dismissal on two grounds. The first is that the agreement of April 25th, 1919, for the employment of the plaintiff was made on the basis and condition that the plaintiff should continue fit to take charge of a ship's bridge; and that on the date of the letter of dismissal, i.e., June 11th, 1924, plaintiff had become unfit to do so by reason of his defective sight. I have already summarised the evidence given by both sides on this issue but before recording my finding on this first ground I will mention certain facts which appear to me to be deducible from the evidence in this case:—

(a) Prior to the dismissal of the plaintiff, no standard of vision to which officers in defendants' service must conform, had been laid down. As a matter of fact it would appear that the defendants had been satisfied, on the original engagement of the plaintiff as well as of the other officers whom they had from time to time engaged to serve on their ships, with the certificate of Competency of the Board of Trade, which required that holders of such certificates should pass an examination as to their powers of vision; and in fact the officer who was substituted for plaintiff in command of the s.s. *Hunee* was not examined by the medical officers of the defendants as to his eyesight.

(b) I am satisfied, on the evidence of Capt. Innes, for the reasons I have already given, that if plaintiff had passed the Board of Trade examination on April 20th, 1924, he would have been appointed to the command of the s.s. *Hammer* on April 21st, 1924, and nothing further would have been done as regards testing his powers of vision.

(c) The plaintiff is in possession of a Certificate of Competency which qualifies him for appointment to the command of any ship of the Merchant Marine sailing under the British flag.

(d) Dr. Morrison, who first examined the plaintiff on behalf of the defendants, pronounced him fit to take charge of a ship, and in this opinion he is supported by Dr. Aubrey and Bellios who were called on behalf of the plaintiff. Dr. Harston stated that plaintiff "did not come up to the standard of vision required by the defendants company," but as I have pointed out, there was, at the time of Dr. Harston's examination of the plaintiff, no standard of vision laid down by the defendants. It will be observed that each of the four medical gentlemen called as witnesses differ in the results gained from Snellen's test, and I see no grounds on which I should accept Dr. Harston's results in preference to those of Drs. Aubrey and Bellios.

(e) Capt. Anderson's evidence is not that of a scientific expert, but he is a practical seaman and he gives good practical reasons for the opinion he expresses that the plaintiff is thoroughly competent to perform the duties of a bridge officer. The onus of satisfying me that plaintiff's eyes are so defective as to render him unfit to take charge of a ship's bridge is upon the defendants, and in my opinion they have not discharged that onus, and my finding on this issue must be for the plaintiff.

There is a second ground put forward by the defendants which is based on the agreement of April 25th, 1919. By paragraph 1 of that agreement it is provided that in the event of the plaintiff's return home being rendered necessary during the continuance of his engagement, in the opinion of the defendants' medical officer, by ill health, or his illness being of such a nature as the said medical officer shall consider incurable, the agreement should be treated as terminated on the date the plaintiff shall have been informed of the decision of the defendants or their agents on the ground that the medical officer considered the return home of the plaintiff necessary by reason of ill health or that his illness was of an incurable nature; and defendants raise the argument that the defective sight alleged by Dr. Harston to exist in an incurable illness, and that as the medical officer of the defendants is made the judge as to whether the plaintiff is suffering from an incurable illness or not, the matter is concluded by the certificate of Dr. Harston of April 25th, 1924. It is clear both from the phraseology of this certificate and the evidence in the case that this certificate was not intended to be given under paragraph 1 of the agreement of April 25th, 1919. Assuming even in favour of the

defendants that it was so intended, I am not satisfied that defective eyesight is "an incurable illness" within the meaning of the agreement. The only case cited in support of this is *v. Inhabitants of Bucknell*, 3 E. and B. 587 in which it was held that incurable blindness was sickness within the meaning of 9 and 10 Vict. C.68, S.4, but that case was a settlement case and does not appear to me to be of any assistance in construing this provision of the agreement. There is the further point that the question of the plaintiff's sight was referred to Dr. Morrison as the medical officer of the defendants, that he found there was no disease in plaintiff's eyes, and that it cannot properly be contended that a certificate given by one medical officer of the defendants on April 18th, 1924, in relation to the plaintiff, can be upset by a second certificate given on April 22nd, 1924, stating that plaintiff's eyesight was defective, but saying not a word about his suffering from an incurable illness. As regards this issue also, my finding must be in favour of plaintiff.

## THE DAMAGES.

As my findings involve the proposition that the defendants were not justified in dismissing the plaintiff from their service on the grounds put forward by them, it now becomes necessary for me to consider the question of what damages the plaintiff is entitled to recover.

A large number of authorities were cited on both sides, and I shall now discuss such as throw light on the questions which I have to consider in this case. In effect, counsel for the plaintiff contended that plaintiff was entitled to compensation for the loss of all benefits accrued, or which would have been received by him but for his wrongful dismissal; and also for the difficulty that will be met by the plaintiff in obtaining employment as good as that from which he was wrongfully dismissed.

His Lordship discussed the cases cited to him in the course of the arguments and said:—

It appears to me that the authorities cited on behalf of the plaintiff, so far as they are directly in point, are against him; and in my opinion these contentions are shown to be unfounded by the authorities produced on behalf of the defendants. The result of these cases, to put the matter concisely, would appear to be that the cause of action arises from due notice not having been given; and the damages recoverable are limited to the loss naturally and reasonably flowing from the absence of such notice.

Hartley v. Herman, 9 L.J.Q.B., 179, is also an authority for the proposition that where by the terms of the contract it may be deduced that the plaintiff is entitled to the wages which would have been earned during that period; but the person dismissed must seek employment and the actual amount recoverable by him is the amount of such wages less any remuneration he has received in respect of any fresh employment obtained by him. (Reed v. Explosives Company, 19 Q.B.D., 264).

Manubius v. Leon, *supra*, would also appear to support the contention raised on behalf of the defendants as to the principle on which damages for wrongful dismissal are to be assessed.

It is further to be observed that there is nothing in the agreement between the plaintiff and the defendants in this case which expressly binds the latter to continue the former in their employment so that he may be enabled to obtain such advantages as pension rights or home leave, and on the principles laid down in *Hartley v. Herman* (1901) 2 Q.B., 488 and *Rhodes v. Forewood* (1 A.C. 256) I do not see how I should be justified in implying any such provision in this case.

I think that the principles on which I must decide the amount of the compensation recoverable by the plaintiff may be deduced from the cases to which I have expressly called attention.

Counsel for the plaintiff puts forward his claim under the following heads, and I propose to discuss these heads in the light of the authorities to which I have referred:—

1.—\$600, being three months' salary in lieu of three months' notice of termination of his engagement as provided by paragraph 4 of the agreement of April 25th, 1919. I hold that plaintiff was entitled to three months' notice of termination of his agreement, or salary in lieu thereof. As has already appeared, the plaintiff was given one month's notice of the termination of his employment and during that month received from the defendants his appropriate pay up to and including July 10th, 1924; no compensation payable to plaintiff in respect of pay for this first month of the period of legal notice under his agreement. From and including July 15th to the termination of this legal period, and afterwards, plaintiff was employed as a chief officer in the *Wo Fat Shing* Company at a salary of \$320 per month instead of \$321.43, which was the rate payable to him by defendants, and the amount payable by defendants under this head must be reduced by the amount earned by plaintiff during the period in question. Under this head I find for plaintiff in the sum of \$44 for period from July 11th to 14th, (both inclusive), during which he was unemployed, at the rate of \$11 per day; and in the sum of \$2.08 being the difference in respect of two months' pay between rate at which he was paid by defendants and that at which he was paid by the *Wo Fat Shing* Company (total \$46.08).

2.—\$1,500.17, being the amount of salary which plaintiff would have drawn if he had been granted six months' leave on full salary, as plaintiff contends he should have had after five years' completed service with the defendants. For the reasons I have given, I hold that it was a condition of home leave being granted that an officer should continue in defendants' service; and that as plaintiff has not so continued he is not entitled to recover anything under this head.

It might be argued that as plaintiff desired to return to defendants' service and was wrongfully dismissed by them, he is entitled to compensation for the loss of opportunity to earn this leave. But the answer to that contention appears to me to be that there is no contract on the part of the defendants to continue his employment so as to give him the opportunity of earning, and enjoying the benefits of, this home leave.

3.—\$568.89 being the agreed amount of the cost of a free second-class passage to England. Paragraph 1 of the agreement of April 25th, 1919, provides that in the event of:—

(a) The agreement being terminated by reason of ill health or incurable illness; or, (b) the plaintiff being desirous of returning to England at the end of the original period of three years for which the agreement was entered into;

And in either case the plaintiff returns immediately after termination of the agreement, the defendants are to provide him with a free second-class passage home.

The defendants, by their letter of July 10th, 1924 (R.K. 10), offered to provide plaintiff with such a passage but he refused to accept this offer and the defendants argue that he consequently has lost his right to a passage. But plaintiff has had to remain in the East to prosecute his claim for wrongful dismissal against the defendants and, in my opinion, the loss of this free passage to England is due to, and arises naturally from, the action of the defendants in wrongfully dismissing him. I, therefore, find that plaintiff is entitled to recover damages in respect of this loss, and I award the sum of \$568.89 to him on this claim.

4.—Compensation for loss of five years' service towards the earning of a pension which plaintiff was prevented from qualifying himself for by reason of his wrongful dismissal. As I have already stated there is no express contract on the part of the defendants to continue plaintiff's employment so as to enable him to earn a pension, and I can see no justification for implying any such provision. There is also the consideration that by the terms of the agreement itself it could be terminated by three months' notice on either side; and it is admitted by plaintiff's counsel that if three months' notice had been given under the agreement, no claim in respect of pension could have been made by plaintiff.

5.—Compensation for the difficulty of getting employment as good as that from which plaintiff was dismissed by the defendants. I think the decision of the majority of the House of Lords in *Addis v. The Gramophone Company, Limited*, *supra*, disposes of this claim finally.

6.—Loss of benefit to his health from the six months' leave on full pay which plaintiff contends he was entitled to get on the termination of his five years' service with defendants. As I have held that plaintiff was not entitled to any such leave, this claim must also fail. Even if he had been entitled to such leave, I think this present claim could not have been supported as compensation in respect of the loss of such leave would have clearly covered loss of the benefit to be derived from taking the leave.

By paragraph 7 of the Statement of Claim, as amended in the course of the hearing, plaintiff claims, alternatively, that, if he became permanently incapacitated, which he expressly denies, he is entitled under the award of July 18th, 1917, to which reference has been made, to the sum of \$150. The defendants plead that they tendered this amount to the plaintiff and bring it into Court, but they go on to say that their liability for this amount is subject to the condition that at the time of his retirement the plaintiff was a permanently incapacitated officer.

I have found as a matter of fact that plaintiff was not permanently incapacitated at the time of his retirement, and consequently must hold in defendants' favour that this claim fails.

## THE FINDINGS.

I, therefore, find for the plaintiff for the following amounts:—

(1) \$46.88 in respect of three months' salary in lieu of notice, after deducting the amount earned by plaintiff during the currency of the notice;

(2) \$568.89, damages in respect of his loss of a free passage to England;

The defendants have brought into Court the two several sums of \$1,265.92 and \$684.29 and plead that these amounts are more than sufficient to satisfy the plaintiff's claim. I think that this plea is made out and that, after allowing for the aggregate amount of \$633.75, found to be recoverable by the plaintiff, a balance of \$1,596.47 remains in favour of the defendants.

With regard to the form of the judgment, I think:—

(1) Judgment should be entered for the plaintiff.

(2) \$633.75 should be paid out of Court to the plaintiff;

(3) \$1,596.47 should be paid out of Court to the defendants;

(4) The plaintiff should have the costs of the action up to the time of payment into Court;

(5) The defendants should have the general costs of the action from (1st) time, and the plaintiff should have the costs of the issues found in his favour.

After the judgment had been delivered, Mr. Eldon Potter said that in so far as the costs of the issue in plaintiff's favour were concerned, the Company did not wish to impose on Kettlewell, and they would waive their right to the costs. The China Navigation Company had fought the case merely on principle, and they did not wish to penalise him.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin with Mr. Easley Zeilyn (instructed by Mr. G. R. Ha Bratton) appeared for the plaintiff, Capt. Kettlewell, and the defendants' Company was represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master).



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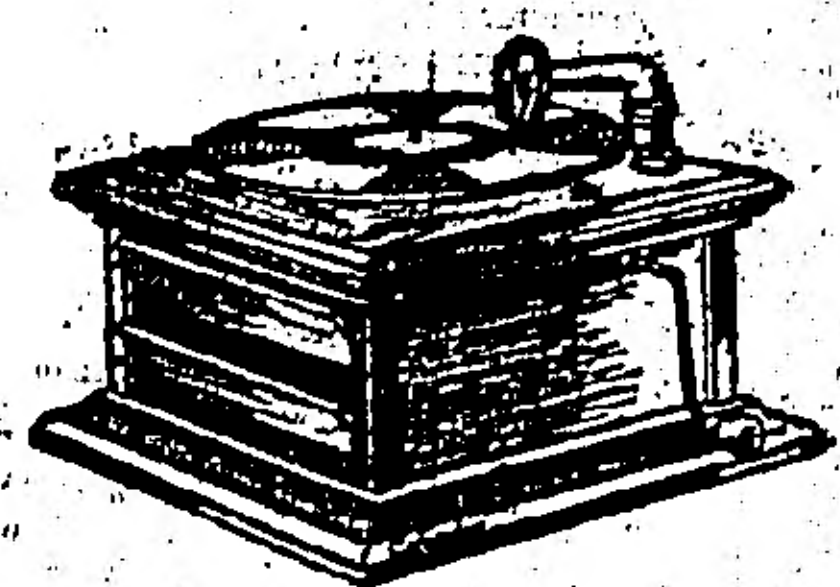
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L. M. WHITE,  
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## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

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[2103]

## SOCIETY OF ST. GEORGE, HONGKONG.

THE Committee of the Society will lay A WRATH on the CROSTOWN on ST. GEORGE'S DAY, APRIL 23rd, at 12.45 P.M. It is hoped that as many Members as possible will be present.

[2121]

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Hongkong, 15th April, 1925. [2110]

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Hongkong, 16th April, 1925. [2115]

## INTIMATIONS

## NOTICE.

WE HAVE THIS DAY Authorized Mr. B. SCHMIDT to Sign for Our Firm in Hongkong Per Procuration.  
CARLOWITZ & CO.,  
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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwritten on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 10 A.M., by our Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 15th April, 1925. [2097]

## "GLEN" LINE, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## FROM UNITED KINGDOM AND STRAITS.

THE Motor Vessel "GLENAP" having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 20th April, 1925, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, on 18th April, 1925, at 10 A.M. Claims against the Steamer remaining undelivered after the 21st inst. must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Agents.

Hongkong, 14th April, 1925. [2101]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

## AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer "MENTOR" are hereby notified that the Cargo will be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Godown on and after 16th April.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival. All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 A.M. and Noon within the free storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd April, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwritten on or before the 6th May, or they will not be recognized.

Butterfield & Swire, Agents.  
Hongkong, 16th April, 1925. [2116]

## INTIMATIONS

## CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED, will be held in the Offices of Messrs. SHAW, TOMES & COMPANY, St. George's Building, Charter Road, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 25th day of APRIL, 1925, at 11.30 o'clock in the Forenoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers and a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1924, and of Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15th, to SATURDAY, APRIL 25th, both days inclusive.  
By Order of the General Managers,  
R. FARRANT,  
Manager and Secretary.  
Hongkong, 8th April, 1925. [2091]

## CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Offices of the Company, "St. George's Building," No. 6, CONNELL ROAD, on MONDAY, the 27th APRIL, 1925, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers, for the year ended the 31st December, 1924, and Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 16th APRIL, 1925, until MONDAY, the 27th APRIL, 1925, both days inclusive.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 9th April, 1925. [2092]

## BY ORDER OF THE FIRST MORTGAGEES.

## PUBLIC AUCTION OF VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTIES.

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AT  
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THE 20th DAY OF APRIL, 1925,  
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For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, Apply to—  
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Queen's Road Central, Hongkong.

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## WANTED.

WANTED Some Old Second Hand CARPETS for Packing Purpose, No Matter How Old but Must be Clean.  
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6, Des Voeux Road Central. [2117]

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"NAGPORE" carrying His Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this Port at 4 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 21st APRIL, taking Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable Cargo for Italy, France and London (under arrangement) will be conveyed by this Steamer proceeding to Bombay and there transferred to the on-carrying Steamer for Marseilles and London.

Parcels will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. on the Day previous to Sailing. The contents and value of all packages must be declared.

For further Particulars, Apply to—  
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Hongkong, 14th April, 1925. [2099]

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## MARRIAGE.

ROGERS—HOPKINS—At Taunton, Mass., on March 2nd, Mrs. MCKENNA LOUISE HOPKINS, of Shanghai, to Mr. JOHN ROGERS, of Raynham, Mass.

## DEATH.

AGLEN.—Died at Sea, on April 17th, "between Singapore and Colombo," SINGA, the wife of Sir FRANCIS AGLEN, A.R.E., Inspector-General of Customs. [2124]

Hongkong Office: 14, Charter Road.  
London Office: 431, Fleet Street, E.C.

## The Daily Press.

## HONGKONG, APRIL 20th, 1925.

## THE GOLD FRANC QUESTION.

While the Chinese authorities in Peking refrain from making any announcement regarding the settlement of what is known as "the Gold Franc Controversy," the French announcement that arrangements have been made for the protection of the Far Eastern creditors of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, and the further announcement that the French Government is willing to hasten by all means the ratification of what is known as the Nine Powers Agreement, made at Washington, concerning the Chinese Customs Tariff, affords substantial evidence that the Gold Franc Question has been at last definitely settled to the satisfaction of France.

For both these important matters have been held up pending a decision as to whether the French portion of the Boxer Indemnity is to be paid in gold francs or at the current rate of exchange on the basis of the gold standard. The French contention has been that there is no doubt whatever that the Protocol of 1901, as well as the Arrangement made in 1905 provides in a manner absolutely clear and indisputable that the indemnity should be paid in gold.

"i.e., for each Haikwan tael due to each of the Powers China ought to pay the sum in gold which is shown in Article VI of the Protocol as the equivalent of one tael." The Arrangement of July 2nd, 1905, provides that

"China will make these payments calculated on the basis set forth above which fixes the value of the Haikwan Protocol tael in relation to the money of each country, either in silver according to the price of silver on the London market or in gold bills, or in telegraphic

transfers, at the choice of each Power. China may obtain bills and telegraphic transfers as best suits her interests at any place and at any bank at the lowest price or by public tender, provided that the payments in gold be made to each Power direct on due date. It is understood that China is responsible for the exact payment of the transfer and the present proposals must inform the Chinese Government which of the three methods cited above is the one it chooses till the debt is extinguished."

France, as well as Belgium, Great Britain, Holland, Italy and the United States of America, selected as the method of payment, telegraphic transfers in their respective currencies, and payments thereafter were made to the Powers according to the method each had selected, down to the time of the temporary suspension of the Indemnity payments by mutual arrangement on the entry of China into the Great War on the side of the Allies.

Before the war, exchange fluctuations were narrow in their extent, but we all know what happened to European currencies after the war. When we last wrote on this question we quoted a story that had just been told by Lord DEASY of an Englishman who, before the war, lent a German manufacturer £50,000 for the development of his business.

The loan was repaid in marks—the equivalent sum in marks for which the sterling was exchanged when the loan was made. In English currency these marks, which were worth £250,000 in 1913, were worth exactly two pence when the loan was repaid!

China, by her attitude on the gold franc issue, has been, in principle, attempting to follow this German method of paying her obligations to France. It has, however, to be said that in 1922 and again in 1923, Chinese Ministers who investigated the question admitted the correctness of the French contention; but the prospect of robbing France of her rights in the matter had been encouraged by popular agitation, and when a change of Government placed Dr. WELLINGTON KOO in office as Minister of Foreign Affairs, he took what we may call the popular view.

He reversed the previous decisions and by ignoring the fact that the Protocol expressly stipulates that the indemnity should "constitute a gold debt calculated at the rate of the Haikwan tael to the gold currency of each country" he ingeniously argued that the Arrangement of 1905 "can not be reasonably construed to mean anything other than the currencies of the Signatory Powers issued on the basis of their respective gold standards, and that whatever exchange rates prevail at present, or are likely to prevail for some time in future, favourable or unfavourable to China, as compared with the Protocol rates, they cannot be considered as a valid ground . . . for a radical departure from the mode of payment selected by the Signatory Powers in accordance with the said Arrangement."

There was a suggestion a year ago that The Hague Tribunal should be invited to adjudicate on the subject, but that was never done. The past week's announcements go to show that the present Chinese Government has not been convinced of the soundness of the view propounded by Dr. WELLINGTON KOO. The forecasts of the settlement published in the Northern Chinese newspapers indicate that a very large sum, representing the greater part of the accumulated fund set aside for the payment of the French Indemnity, since December 1st, 1922 (amounting to over £13,000,000), will be turned over to the Peking Government and an official statement as to the purposes to which this money is to be applied will be awaited with wide-spread interest.

Mr. H. R. Butters has been appointed Second Police Magistrate.

Mr. J. H. Wood has been appointed Prison Judge during the absence on leave of Mr. Justice P. H. J. Gompertz.

The Craigflower Cricket Club held a successful fancy dress dance on Saturday night. An enjoyable time was spent by everybody present.

The Government Gazette notifies that a fee of \$15 will be charged for each X-ray examination at the Government Civil Hospital of patients sent by medical practitioners.

Among residents who left for Home by the P. & O. *Karnata* on Saturday were His Honour Mr. Justice Gompertz and Mrs. Gompertz, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wade and Miss Wade, Lt.-Col. R. Butterworth, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Dunnett and children, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark and child, Mr. G. C. Kitching, Mr. C. J. Tatchell.

The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.R.E. (Colonial Treasurer), has been appointed a commissioner to administer oaths, so long as he holds the office of Estate Duty Commissioner.

Captain H. F. Bloxham has been appointed Assistant Superintendent of Prisons by H.E. the Governor, with the approval of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, with effect from January 23rd, 1925.

On Saturday morning No. 44B, Lyndhurst Terrace, was entered by a number of men, who held up the inmates with revolvers, and decamped with clothing and jewellery, the value of which has not yet been estimated.

Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., has been appointed Captain Superintendent of Police and Chief Officer, Fire Brigade and Mr. D. Burlingham, is to act as Deputy Superintendent, during the absence of the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe.

Mr. J. Dunn, who recently left the Hongkong office of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation to go to the Bangkok branch, is relieving Mr. H. C. Aspinall, who is to leave there for Singapore towards the end of this month.

A Court, sitting at Pingshan on Friday, sentenced a Chinese constable to six weeks' hard labour for having slept whilst on guard duty at Lokmachau. That place is on the border of the New Territories, and the authorities took a serious view of the matter since bandit depredations are always a danger in this region.

It is notified that Mr. R. S. W. Patterson, Engineer, Buildings Ordinance Office, has been deputed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to act on behalf of the Building Authority in all cases referred to in sections 205, 206, 207 and 207A, of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1905, in connection with dangerous buildings.

By reason of the existence of rabies among dogs in this Colony, the Governor of the Straits Settlements has prohibited absolutely the introduction into the Settlement of Singapore of any dogs from Hongkong; and has also prohibited the import of dogs from any port of China, unless accompanied by a veterinary certificate of health to the satisfaction of the Government Veterinary Surgeon. A similar order has been made by the Resident Councillor, Penang.

A variety concert of great interest is to be given in the Theatre Royal on Friday, May 1st, in aid of the charity funds of the R.A. Association. As such it has the patronage of H.E. the General Officer Commanding, and Major Hattersley Smith, D.S.O. The programme will include items by some of Hongkong's best known artists, including Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Collett, who took such a prominent part in "The Gondoliers." Major Macready, whose success in "Saint Joan" is not forgotten; Mr. H. G. Annis, Lieut. Alcock, Messrs. Charles Oliver and E. McKeon, as well as the famous band of the Surrey Regiment.

## OBITUARY.

## LADY AGLEN DIES AT SEA.

We deeply regret to record the death of Lady Aglen, wife of the Inspector-General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, which occurred at sea, between Singapore and Colombo, on April 17th.

Sir Francis and Lady Aglen, with their youngest child, a nurse and companion, were travelling on the Blue Funnel liner *Antenor*, which left Hongkong on the 7th inst.

Lady Aglen had been ill for a considerable time past and was travelling as an invalid on the ship. Sir Francis was taking her home in the hope that the change of climate would restore her to health. The news that she had died on the voyage will evoke the deepest sympathy of all their friends, especially in Peking where they have so long resided.

Lady Aglen was the daughter of Prof. Bayley Balfour, K.B.E. She married Sir Francis Aglen in 1906 and there are three sons and two daughters of the marriage.

LIEUT.-COL. BUTTERWORTH.

The loss of Lieut.-Col. R. F. A. Butterworth, C.M.G., D.S.O., R.E., who left for Home by the P. & O. *Karnata* on Saturday, will be very keenly felt in the Colony generally, where he was a very popular figure.

He has had a distinguished army career, served in France during the war and was five times mentioned in despatches receiving the C.M.G. and a bar to his D.S.O. After being Deputy Director of Works in Mesopotamia in 1920-21, he came to Hongkong in 1922, where he has been O.R.E. for three years.

During this time, he has closely identified himself with sports and games. He has been President of the Garrison Recreation Club; President of the U.S.R.C.; helped the R.E.'s to win the Garrison Tennis Cup in 1923 and 1924; and the Second Division Cricket Shield in 1924.

For two years



## THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

## REVOLT IN LISBON.

## THE NEW FRENCH CABINET.

## HOME SPORT RESULTS.

LATEST CABLES.  
(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)  
PRINCE OF WALES.DURBAR AT KANO PRESENTS  
GORGEOUS SCENE.

DANCING IN OPEN AIR.

KANO, April 18th.  
Despite the long railway journey here, the Prince of Wales played tennis this evening. After dinner, he attended an open-air dance, which was a veritable fairground, illuminated by myriads of coloured lights under the star-spangled African sky. The whole floor was specially converted from the wild bush, two miles from Kano in the space of six weeks. Though there are only 130 Whites resident in Kano, 500 Whites attended the dance, mostly uniformed officials from all parts of the northern territory of Nigeria. The guests included 25 European ladies, charmingly dressed, 19 of whom had travelled enormous distances. The Prince shook hands with all and danced practically every dance.

## SWARMING TO "DURBAR."

Crowds were swarming towards Kano all night long, blowing horns and displaying splendid enthusiasm. The scene this morning was amazing. Streams of plodding visitors were visible on all roads for miles, resembling converging armies of ants.  
The Emir has already congregated for the *Durbar*, most of them have travelled hundreds of miles accompanied by hosts of retainers. Many of the latter died from the intense heat, disease or jungle accidents en route.  
The *Durbar* at 8 o'clock this morning was a wonderful display. It was a case of horses everywhere. Twenty thousand mounted men were ranged in horseshoe formation, all displaying the gayest colours. British Officers were galloping hither and thither completing arrangements. The commotion hushed on the arrival of the Prince of Wales, complete silence being a Hausa token of respect. Then the band of the Nigerian Regiment crashed forth a stirring march, followed by the rolling of hundreds of native drums. The Prince, seated on a dais, covered with a multi-coloured canopy captured in the fighting seventy years ago, watched the parade of infantry and artillery, the latter carrying gun-pieces on their heads.  
Then the Emir and troopers charged, with lances and swords drawn, halting spectacularly two feet from the dais. The cavalry thereafter marched past, headed by bands playing ancient instruments. All were clad in gorgeous uniforms. The concourse of spectators had their blood fired by the continuous roll of the exultant drums and cheered tumultuously.

## PAGES FROM THE PAST.

Numerous riders, attired in age-long uniform of Crusaders in chain-mail, complete with visor, added a bizarre touch to the dazzling scene. Outbursts of frenzied cheering rent the air as dense columns filed past the dais to the accompaniment of deafening drums. Interspersed between files of cavalry at the walk appeared groups of dancers wildly gyrating and shouting, perfect types of devil-dancers. Every moment saw something fresh in the never-ending procession. The brilliant array of uniforms, golden bows and arrows, five-foot trumpets, plumed helmets. Finally a magnificent body of Bornu Cavalry, heads be-feathered, rode up, waving cutlasses and swords and accompanied by a special troop of men on beautifully caparisoned camels, carrying enormous silk flags. The scene was staggering. Thousands of superb horsemen standing in their stirrups, shrieking and sword-waving and bounding in their saddles. It was truly an orgy of colour.  
The parade closed with gallops past by detachments—a fitting finish to a wonderful demonstration of loyalty, never seen before and never likely to be seen again.

Spectators were entranced with the reception of the Emir, which followed. The latter squatted in a semi-circle fully 50 yards from the Prince to the address of the official interpreter standing near the Prince. The latter, remarking that the Emir were unable to hear, motioned them to approach; after which they squatted at the foot of the dais.

## REVOLT AT LISBON.

GOVERNMENT SAID TO HAVE  
SITUATION IN HAND.

PARIS, April 19th.  
A message from Lisbon states that a revolutionary movement broke out under the leadership of Major Filomeno Camara, supported by several hundred cavalry, artillery and infantry.  
Major Camara established a Directory and had several officials arrested.  
The President of the Republic and his Ministers met in the barracks and discussed defensive measures. Shortly after, loyal troops surrounded the cavalry barracks, where the revolutionaries were holding a meeting.  
There were disturbances in different parts of the city; bombs were thrown and several persons were killed.  
The Government, apparently, has the situation well in hand.

## FRENCH TRADE RETURNS.

PARIS, April 19th.  
For the first quarter of 1925, imports totalled 9,680,000 francs; exports 10,620,000 francs. In March the normal permanent revenue returns were 1,960,000 francs compared to 1,901,000,000 last year.  
—Havas.

## NEW FRENCH CABINET.

M. PAINEVE TRIES HIS BEST  
TO PLACATE SENATE.

PARIS, April 19th.  
With not a single member of M. Herriot's Cabinet remaining in office and with five Senators appointed to the Cabinet, M. Paineve has done his best to placate the Senate which brought down M. Herriot.

The question remains whether the Senate, which sentenced M. Caillaux, will tolerate a Cabinet in which M. Caillaux is the dominating factor. The Senate, for the moment, seems inclined to bury the hatchet—probably on account of M. Caillaux's well-known aversion to the capital levy.

A more likely contingency is a split of the Left Centre—that strange alliance of Radicals and Socialists—for M. Briand is opposed to the abolition of the Embassy to the Vatican, which is one of the chief points of the *Cartel*'s programme.

The question whether the Socialists shall support the Cabinet, which rejects the capital levy, is temporarily settled; for the Socialist leaders after conferring with M. Paineve yesterday, announced that a broad agreement had been reached that the ministerial declaration should be based on the same principles as inspired the Herriot Government.

M. Briand's tactical talents have had full scope in smoothing the relations of the two Chambers, failure to improve which would mean that dissolution was inevitable.

But M. Paineve's mathematics are likely to tax in solving the personal equation of antagonism between M. Briand and M. Caillaux. The dominating factor remains Finance, concerning which public anxiety is such that even the bitterest opponents of M. Caillaux are resigned to swallow the pill of his political revival in return for the almost mystic store set on his financial technique and strength of purpose.

EARLIER CABLES.  
CONJECTURE AS TO FUTURE.

PARIS, April 17th.  
There is much conjecture regarding the possibilities of the new Cabinet, in which M. Caillaux's association with M. Briand is only as remarkable as his leap back to power.

It is noteworthy that the franc has strengthened. This is interpreted as a renewal of confidence at home and abroad.

Party opinion as expressed in the respective newspapers may thus be summed up. The extreme Right are inexorably condemnatory, the Moderates are sceptical but not intolerant, the Right wing of the Left bloc are sanguine, the Left wing of Socialists are anxious, and the Communists are hostile.

## GERMAN PRESIDENCY.

SUPPORTERS OF DIFFERENT  
FACTIONS NOW ACTIVE.

## THE MARK-HINDENBURG RIVALRY.

BERLIN, April 18th.  
With the Socialists given a *quid pro quo* in the shape of the election of Herr Brünn to the Prussian Premiership, on April 13th, Dr. Marx, the Coalitionist candidate, seems to be assured of the Socialist support at the Presidential contest on April 26th against Field-Marshal Hindenburg, whose nomination shows the reactionaries have wrested the ascendancy of the Nationalist Party from the Stresemann group. Thus, the votes given to Hindenburg, though unlikely to secure his return will be an interesting indication of the high water mark of German Nationalism, for the chances of the third candidate nominated, the Communist Thälmann, are negligible.

## PLEA FOR HINDENBURG.

Manifestoes by innumerable reactionary organisations, rhapsodically appeal for support for "our Father Hindenburg, the German, the Christian, the Hero," against Marx, the "representative of the international Jewish spirit."

To this the Socialist Communist newspapers reply with the invective of the "mass murderer, butcher, bloodhound."  
It is noteworthy that the Centre and Democratic organs, are opposed to treat Hindenburg respectfully, and yet Herr Marx in his speeches refers to Hindenburg with reverence. It is significant, however, that prospects of German trade have recently been the dominating note in the campaign. The Marxites are using the recent slump in the foreign loan market as an argument against the Nationalists; and the latter are labelling Marx as an anti-capitalist candidate on account of his Socialist support. Electors are confronted with a bewildering mass of trade statistics, constituting the chief material argument of each side that its candidate alone is likely to attract foreign capital.

## PLATFORM OF MARX.

BERLIN, April 19th.  
Addressing an audience of 20,000, Dr. Marx, presidential candidate of the Republican Bloc, said that Germany must make sacrifices in order to maintain peace and secure it on the Western frontier. Nevertheless the Franco-German understanding was a valuable political aim, but the acceptance of the security pact as regards the West afforded all the more reason why Germany must remember her unsatisfactory conditions in the East and the social affinity binding them to Austria.  
Germany must again put forward her claim to national union with Austria, and the resurrection of a great Germany.

## AIRSHIP'S SEVERE TRIAL.

LESSONS FROM ADVENTUROUS  
FLIGHT OF R.33.

## CONGRATULATIONS FROM ABROAD.

LONDON, April 18th.

When she got back the R.33 had fuel for five hours flying. Flight-Lieut. Booth declined to be interviewed on what is regarded as one of the greatest achievements in airship handling ever executed.  
The wireless operator Keeley early discarded telephony for telegraphy, because of the superior quickness for directional finding.

There was one bad moment in the middle of the night, when the airship nearly sank to the water. All aboard donned life jackets, but the vessel, skilfully handled, lifted clear.

## PRAISE FROM PRESS.

The papers resound with unqualified satisfaction over the happy ending of the adventure of R.33. They join in praising the airmanship and fine courage and endurance displayed by the crew. Many lessons have been drawn from the incident—notably by the Under-Secretary for Air, who in an interview said the unrehearsed flight had fully demonstrated that the cruising speed of future airships must be at least 10 miles hour, so as to have a margin to combat a 60-mile gale. They could then make at least ten miles against the wind, and thus proceed to a safe zone. A further lesson was the development of emergency landing grounds. Another suggestion is the necessity for greater perfection in mooring masts.

## TRIBUTES FROM ABROAD.

LONDON, April 18th.

Congratulatory messages are pouring into Fulham. They include telegrams from the Air Chiefs of France, the United States and Germany.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## SOME OUTSTANDING FACTS.

LONDON, April 17th.  
While the nation has been thrilled by the untroubled competence of the whole crew, the outstanding facts of the magnificent effort of the R.33, which was safely housed at Fulham this afternoon, are firstly the way Flight-Lieutenant Booth, aged thirty, rose to the occasion in handling the crippled airship for twenty-nine hours in an exceptional storm, during ten hours of which even keeping the nose to the wind was a terrific task; during which the marvellous demonstration of the value of wireless, in connection with which the Irish boy operator Keeley, aged twenty, was working the whole trip, keeping in touch with the land officials who were directing the airship's movements.

## "SPLENDID EFFORTS."

Flight-Lieutenant Booth was a sub-lieutenant in the Navy in 1914. Later he was engaged in "spotting" submarines, for which he was awarded the Air Force Cross.

The progress of the R.33 was necessarily slow. All five engines were not used simultaneously with a view to saving petrol.  
Thousands of people gathered at Lowestoft and cheered the airship as she slowly passed over at one o'clock in the afternoon. She was sighted at Fulham at two and it was seen that her nose was badly damaged.

Crowds and many volunteers had congregated there by every means of locomotion. Flight-Lieutenant Booth's wife had been at Fulham all night.

In the housing of the airship occupied ninety minutes.  
Air Vice-Marshal Salmon telegraphed Flight-Lieutenant Booth: "Your efforts were splendid and redoubt to the credit of all."

## A NARROW ESCAPE.

LONDON, April 17th.  
Delighted relatives affectionately greeted the weary crew disembarking from the R.33. The crew were taken to huts and given refreshments before retiring for much-needed sleep. It is disclosed that the prompt action of Flight-Lieutenant Booth saved the airship which would otherwise have been wrecked in the first few hours. Booth after the breakaway thoroughly examined the nose. He found the No. 1 gas bag punctured and laced it to the No. 2 frame. Thus when deflated it formed a new bulkhead and prevented the damage spreading.

The crew felt the severe cold of the night but were very cheerful.

## LATEST CABLES.

## THE SOFIA TRAGEDY.

ONE DOME OF CATHEDRAL HAS  
COLLAPSED.

Sofia, April 18th.

One of three domes at Sofia Cathedral, where the internal machine was deposited, has completely collapsed, also the south porch. There is also grave danger of the central dome collapsing. The whole town is in mourning and all shops are shut.

## FINAL LIST OF VICTIMS.

Sofia, April 18th.

The final list of victims in the explosion at the cathedral included 13 Generals, 3 Deputies, the Mayor of Sofia, 4 Colonels and 8 high Government officials, two lawyers, 19 women and 7 children.

All the victims were buried in the same grave, after a funeral service at the cemetery.

## AID FOR THE BEREAVED.

Sofia, April 18th.

The Minister of the Interior, in an interview, said the Agrarian Communist Party had sold itself to foreign interests. The arrested criminal members of the Party had made disclosures, which made discovery of the authors of the outrage possible.  
The Premier declared Government's determination to repress Communist anarchistic attempts. The Government is introducing a bill to provide grants to the families bereaved by the explosion.

## FOOTBALL AT HOME.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED  
ON SATURDAY.

LONDON, April 18th.

Below will be found the results of League football matches played to-day.

## THE LEAGUE: DIVISION I.

Arsenal, 3; Burnley, 0.  
Aston V. 1; Preston N.E., 0.  
Blackburn, R. 1; Sutherland, 1.  
Bury, 1; Birmingham, 4.  
Huddersfield T. 0; Cardiff C., 0.  
Liverpool, 1; Tottenham H., 0.  
Manchester C., 4; Leeds U., 2.  
Newcastle U., 0; Bolton W., 1.  
Nottingham F., 0; W. Brom., A., 1.  
Sheffield U., 2; Notts C., 0.  
W. Ham U., 4; Everton, 1.

## THE LEAGUE: DIVISION II.

Barnsley, 1; Southampton, 1.  
Blackpool, 3; Coventry C., 1.  
Bradford C., 0; Manchester U., 1.  
Derby C., 1; Stoke, 2.  
Fulham, 0; Clapton O., 2.  
Hull C., 1; Oldham A., 0.  
Middlesbrough, 1; Chelsea, 1.  
Preston N.E., 1; Wednesday, 1.  
Preston V., 4; Stockport C., 1.  
S. Shields, 1; Leicester C., 1.  
Whamton W., 3; Crystal P., 1.

## DIVISION III: SOUTHERN.

Bristol R., 0; Gillingham, 0.  
Charlton A., 3; Abertawe A., 1.  
Exeter C., 2; Bournemouth & A., 1.  
Merthyr T., 2; Bristol C., 3.  
Newport C., 1; Luton Town, 1.  
Northampton T., 1; Norwich C., 1.  
Queen's Park R., 1; Swindon T., 0.  
Reading, 0; Plymouth A., 0.  
Southend U., 1; Millwall, 0.  
Swansea T., 1; Brighton & H.A., 0.  
Watford, 3; Brentford, 1.

## DIVISION III: NORTHERN.

Ashington, 1; Bradford, 0.  
Barrow, 3; Rotherham C., 1.  
Crewe A., 3; Grimsby T., 1.  
Doncaster R., 2; Rochdale, 1.  
Durham C., 0; Hartlepool U., 1.  
Lincoln C., 3; Chesterfield, 1.  
Nelson, 2; Wrexham, 4.  
Southport, 1; Darlington, 0.  
Tranmere R., 2; Accrington S., 1.  
Walsall, 0; Halifax T., 2.  
Wigan Boro., 0; N. B. Brighton, 1.

## SCOTTISH LEAGUE: DIVISION I.

Airdrieonians, 2; Hibernians, 0.  
Celtic, 1; Queen's Park, 1.  
Hearts, 1; Dundee, 0.  
Morton, 2; Raith R., 3.  
Motherwell, 1; Rangers, 1.  
Partick T., 1; St. Mirren, 3.  
Third Lanark, 4; Falkirk, 0.

## AMATEUR CUP.

LONDON, April 18th.

In the final of the Amateur Association Football Cup, Clapton defeated Southall by 2 goals to 1 at Millwall.

## INTERNATIONAL SOCCER.

WALES AND IRELAND PLAY DRAW AT  
WREXHAM.

LONDON, April 18th.

In fine, but cloudy weather, at Wrexham, Wales and Ireland played a drawn game in which no goals were scored. The crowd numbered 8,000.

## THE GAME DESCRIBED.

The ground was in perfect order. The Welshmen had rather the better of the play in the first-half, when both goals had narrow escapes. The Irishmen occasionally attacked, but the Welsh halves did not give them much scope. The Welsh wings worked well together and frequently threatened danger, but the Irishmen defended doggedly. The concluding minutes were most exciting, the Welshmen attacked and narrowly missed scoring on three occasions.  
The game ended in a goalless draw.

## TENNIS AT HOME.

RESULTS OF COVERED COURTS  
CHAMPIONSHIP.

TORQUAY, April 18th.

The finals of the British covered courts championship were played to-day.  
In the singles, Mr. P. Spencer defeated Mr. C. Kingsley by 6-1, 6-4, 6-7.  
In the doubles, Capt. Barclay and Mr. C. Kingsley won from Messrs. H. Lester and J. Van Alan, by 1-6, 5-7, 5-6, 6-2, 6-3.

In the mixed doubles, Spence and Miss Colyer defeat J. Lezard and Miss J. Fry, by 3-6, 6-3, 8-4.  
In the ladies' singles, Miss Ryan beat Miss Fry by 6-2, 6-2.

In the ladies' doubles, Misses Ryan and Colyer were victorious against Misses P. Radcliffe and Radcliffe-Platt by 6-1, 6-3.

## (REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

## BASEBALL IN U.S.A.

RESULTS OF GAMES IN THE  
THE LEAGUES.

New York, April 18th.

The following are the results of matches in the National and American League, during last week.

## NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston, 5; New York, 4.  
Brooklyn, 3; Philadelphia, 1.  
Chicago, 8; Pittsburgh, 2.  
Cincinnati, 4; St. Louis, 0.  
Brooklyn, 10; Philadelphia, 4.  
Pittsburg, 8; Chicago, 3.  
Cincinnati, 4; St. Louis, 2.  
New York, 8; Boston, 1.  
Philadelphia, 6; Brooklyn, 1.  
Chicago, 8; Pittsburgh, 3.  
Cincinnati, 7; St. Louis, 3.  
New York, 3; Boston, 0.  
Chicago, 9; Pittsburgh, 0.  
St. Louis, 8; Cincinnati, 0.  
(Continued at foot of next column.)

## LATEST CABLES.

## STRIKE IN DENMARK.

EMPLOYERS EXTENDED LOCK-OUT  
AFFECTING THOUSANDS.

COPENHAGEN, April 19th.

The dispute in the textile, boot-making, paper and other smaller industries, which hitherto has left 30,000 idle, henceforth will involve 15,000. This is due to the employers extending the lock-out, owing to the Workers' Union rejecting the proposals of the mediators.

## DUTCH AIRMEN'S RETURN.

AMSTERDAM IS EN YETE  
TO WELCOME THEM.

AMSTERDAM, April 18th.

The whole city was en fête to welcome the return of the Dutch airmen, who flew from Holland to Java.

A guard-of-honour, composed of students, accompanied the fliers through the crowded streets, which were thronged with cheering spectators.

## EARLIER CABLES.

## SHIRE VESSEL AGROUND.

"CARNARVONSHIRE" IN TROUBLE  
IN SUEZ CANAL.

LONDON, April 17th.

A message from Port Said states that the British steamer *Carnarvonshire* (of the Shire Line) from London, to Yokohama has gone aground in the Canal.

Assistance has been sent for in unloading. The passage is free.  
A later cable says the vessel was refloated, after discharging 350 tons of cargo, and sailed for Suez.

## VOYAGE IS RESUMED.

Port Said, April 17th.

The motor vessel *Canton* has sailed for Valencia.  
[A message from Port Said on April 1st reported a collision in the siding at Devesoir between the Swedish motor vessel *Canton* from Hongkong and the British steamer *Alhambra* from Yokohama. The *Canton's* stem was damaged and the *Alhambra* was badly holed amidships.]

## PENSION PROVISIONS.

BENEFITS FOR DEPENDENTS OF  
H. & S. B. R.A.

LONDON, April 17th.

Pensions for the families of native soldiers in the Hongkong and Singapore Brigade of the Royal Artillery, according to a new Army Order will be on rates identical with those for families of native soldiers of equivalent rank in the Indian Army payable under the Indian Army Regulations; to be provided if the soldier in the brigade being native and residing in India or on service from India or on board ship, or on sick leave in India, unless death is due to his own action.

## CONFERENCE AT ROME.

THIRTY-SEVEN STATES SEND  
DELEGATES TO MEETING.

ROME, April 17th.

The inaugural meeting of the International Parliamentary Commercial Conference was held at the Capitol in the presence of the King and Signor Mussolini, the Premier.  
The meeting was attended by delegations representing thirty-seven states. Signor Tittoni and Signor Mussolini made speeches of welcome.  
The British, French, Belgian, Japanese and other delegates replied.

## UNITED STATES FLEET.

VISIT TO AUSTRALIA WILL NOT  
BE "DRY."

MELBOURNE, April 17th.

The official functions in connection with the visit of the American fleet will not be "dry."

## M. TROTZKY RECOVERS.

Moscow, April 17th.

M. Trotsky is stated to have recovered as a result of his cure in the Caucasus and is expected to return to Moscow.

## OBITUARY.

## MR. GODFREY ISAACS.

LONDON, April 17th.

The death is announced of Mr. Godfrey Isaacs, managing director of Marconi's Wireless Telegraph Company.

## CHIEFTAIN RAISULI.

TARQUEN, April 17th.

It is officially stated that Raisuli, the Moroccan Chieftain, is dead.

## BOXING IN AMERICA.

JOHNNY WILSON DEFEATED BY  
HARRY GREB.

Boston, April 18th.

Harry Greb decisively out-pointed Johnny Wilson, in a 10-round bout at catch-weights.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE.

New York, 5; Washington, 1.  
Philadelphia, 9; Boston, 5.  
Cleveland, 7; St. Louis, 14.  
Detroit, 4; Chicago, 3.  
Washington, 5; New York, 2.  
Philadelphia, 6; Boston, 3.  
Chicago, 8; Detroit, 6.  
Washington, 7; New York, 5.  
Philadelphia, 7; Boston, 3.  
Chicago, 4; Detroit, 2.  
Cleveland, 2; St. Louis, 1.  
Boston, 6; New York, 1.  
Boston, 4; Philadelphia, 3.  
Detroit, 9; Chicago, 3.  
Cleveland, 1; St. Louis, 0.

POLITICAL SITUATION  
IN CHINA.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

## GOLD FRANC ISSUE.

CHINESE AUTHORITIES DECLINE  
TO MAKE STATEMENT.

PEKING, April 18th.

Despite the French Minister's statement last night, which virtually admits that the gold franc case has been settled, the Chinese Authorities still decline to make any announcement.

It is believed that the information is being allowed to leak out gradually so as to prevent agitation among the Chinese against the settlement.

It is stated in certain quarters, that the Chinese Government will issue a statement next week.

## FRENCH MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

PEKING, April 17th.

With reference to the reported gold franc agreement, the French Minister states that the agreement, which has now been negotiated and the basis which has been determined by each side, contains the principle of resuming payment according to the 1905 arrangement, namely by means of telegraphic transfer.

## VERSION FROM PARIS.

PARIS, April 19th.

It is learned authoritatively that the Peking report of the settlement of the French share of the Boxer Indemnity is premature, in the form in which it is published. But an agreement, equally satisfactory to the two countries, is well within sight.—Havas.

## "LITTLE" HSU IN EUROPE.

HEADS MISSION TO STUDY  
"FOREIGN" AFFAIRS.

LONDON, April 18th.

General Hsu Shu Tseng ("Little" Hsu) is in charge of the Chinese Mission, which has arrived here in connection with a tour to study the general political and economic situation in Europe and America. The Mission has been recognised by the Government, which is extending to it all facilities.  
(General Hsu and his staff dined at the Chinese Legation last night.)

## RELEASED WITH FRANCE.

LONDON, April 17th.

General Hsu, interviewed by Reuters, declared that he had considerably benefited by his investigations in France where he found many things which if modified, might be adopted by China.  
He hoped that there would be good results from the report he would make to the Chinese Government regarding what he had seen abroad.

FAR EASTERN CABLE  
NEWS.

## GOLF AT SHANGHAI.



**Comparison is Confirmation**

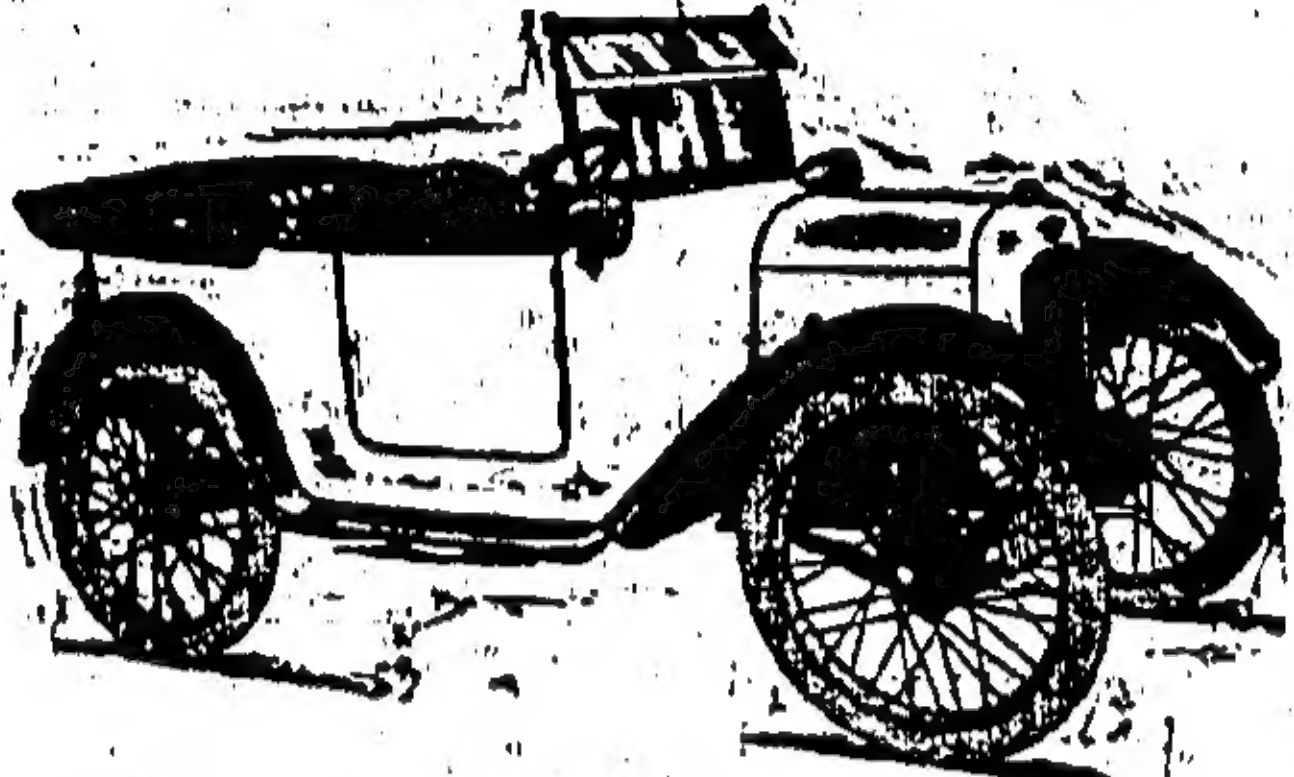
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**SACRED HEART SCHOOL.  
ANNUAL ATHLETIC SPORTS.**

The second annual athletic sports of the Sacred Heart English School were held at the Club Ground, Happy Valley, yesterday afternoon. Mr. J. S. Shuk was president of the committee, and Mr. B. A. Hyder, secretary, while the following comprised the committee: Messrs. R. A. Razack, H. Dixon, H. K. Wong, Fok Wing Kai, Leong Tuen Shoung, K. F. Mack, S. O. Bux, and R. Nazarin. At the conclusion of the events the prizes were distributed by Mrs. R. A. Kotewall. The Hon. Mr. R. A. Kotewall said that his wife had asked him to speak a few words on her behalf. He said he had just returned from another function where he had his speech read, owing to his suffering from a sore throat. It was what some doctors called a "smoker's throat," but he had never smoked. Other doctors called it a "clergyman's throat," but he was never given to much preaching. (Laughter.) Then he said that he and Mrs. Kotewall had seen what the sick race, which they thought was very exciting. He had been told by the Secretary that though no record had been broken that day, previous records had been maintained. On behalf of himself and his wife he congratulated those responsible for the arrangements and on the success of the day. He also thanked them for the honour they had done Mrs. Kotewall in inviting her there to distribute the prizes. (Cheers.) Mrs. Kotewall then distributed the prizes to the successful competitors as under:

Senior Lung Jump (Champ.)—1. Leung Wing Tak.  
Senior High Jump (Champ.)—1. Pang Wai Hung.  
Senior 120 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 110 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 100 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 80 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 60 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 40 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 20 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 10 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 5 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 2 1/2 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1 1/4 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 3/4 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/2 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/4 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/8 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/16 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/32 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/64 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/128 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/256 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/512 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/1024 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/2048 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/4096 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/8192 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/16384 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/32768 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
Senior 1/65536 Yards (Champ.)—1. Lau Shiu Tung.  
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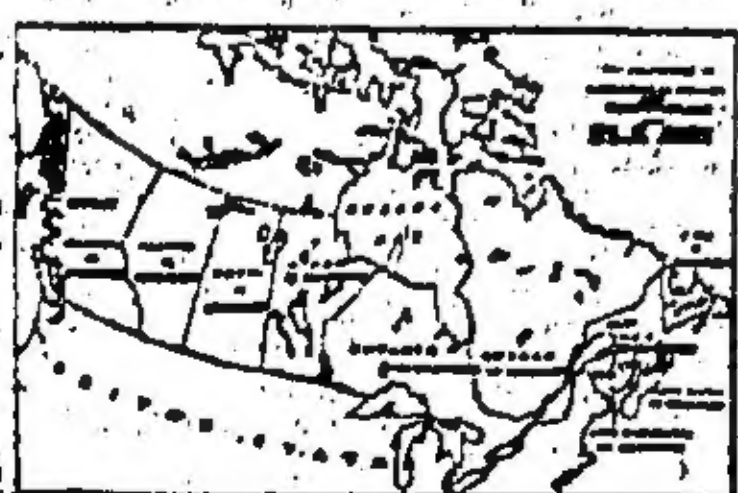
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TIENTSIN	"YUSANG"	Tuesday	21st Apr.	7 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"WOSANG"	Thursday	23rd Apr.	7 a.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"WAISHANG"	Sunday	26th Apr.	7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via SOINOW	"LEESANG"	Sunday	26th Apr.	10 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIFSHING"	Sunday	26th Apr.	Noon
BANGKOK via SWATOW	"HOPEANG"	Tuesday	28th Apr.	10 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"ROBANG"	Wednesday	29th Apr.	3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"FOOSANG"	Saturday	2nd May	3 p.m.
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"GLENBARRY"	3rd June	"GLENBARRY"	3rd June	3rd June
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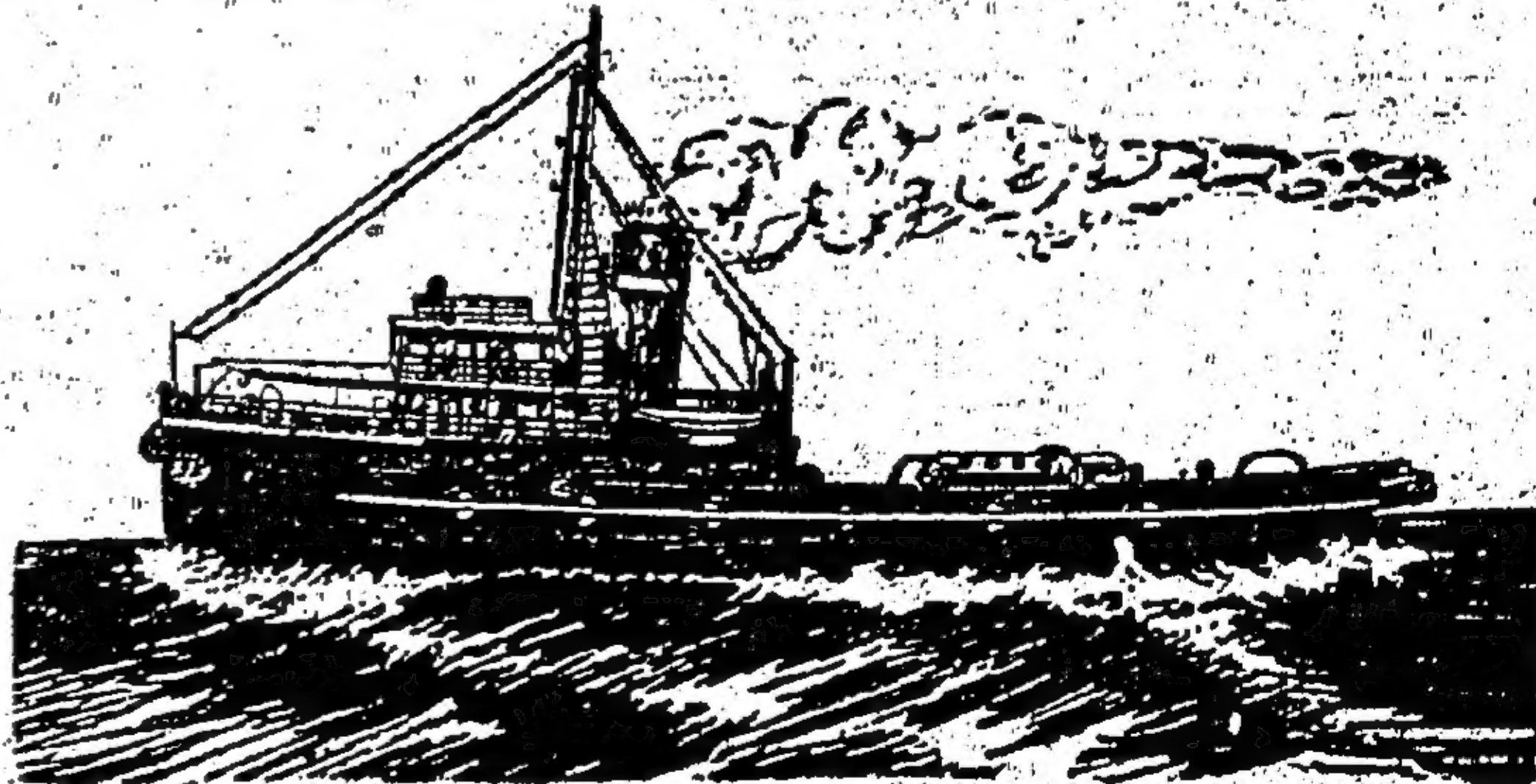
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## SHIPPING NEWS

## ARRIVALS.

April 17th.  
*Kut Sang*, British str., 5,843 tons, Capt. V. McC. Liddell, from Kobe and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 17, Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
*Owigo*, American str., 800 tons, Capt. T. Earle, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at Stonecutters—K. Larsen & Co.  
*Seng Hui*, British str., 3,781 tons, Capt. R. S. Conolly, from Amoy, lying at Swatow Dock—Tuen Kee.  
*Toyo Maru*, Japanese str., 2,279 tons, Capt. S. Takemori, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at Stonecutters—M.B.E.  
*Wahshin*, Chilean str., 813 tons, Capt. Chan Nam, from Kwang Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Hoi On wharf—Sui Lee S.S. Co.  
April 18th.  
*Sinkang*, Danish str., 1,735 tons, Capt. H. E. Fraussen, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 122—John Manners & Co.  
*Borren*, British str., 1,294 tons, Capt. J. H. van den Berg, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—Shun Tai S.S. Co.  
*Chankun Maru*, Japanese str., from Canton, lying at Stonecutters.  
*Fjeldstrand*, Norwegian str., 725 tons, Capt. V. Klausen, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. 513—John Manners & Co.  
*Gutera*, Norwegian str., 725 tons, Capt. E. Tvedt, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 49—K. Larsen & Co.  
*Helena*, British str., 4,310 tons, Capt. W. H. Probert, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Admiralty buoy No. 14—B. & S.  
*Hydranger*, British str., 501 tons, Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Chi On wharf—Chi On S.S. Co.  
*Kwong Lee*, Chinese str., 1,468 tons, Capt. G. L. Crawford, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at C.M.S.N. wharf—C.M.S.N. Co.  
*Laguna*, British str., 4,814 tons, Capt. Arthur L. Gordon, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 14—B. & S.  
*Nagasaki*, Chinese str., 1,180 tons, Capt. G. A. Hoeg, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 550—Master.  
*Nitta Maru*, Japanese str., 1,287 tons, Capt. P. Kato, from Weihaiwei, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—O.S.K.  
*Osaka Maru*, Japanese str., 3,740 tons, Capt. C. Goto, from Yokohama, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—N.Y.K.  
*President McKinley*, American str., 8,400 tons, Capt. R. E. Carey, from Seattle, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—A.O.L.  
*Szechuen*, British str., 1,391 tons, Capt. W. Tonkin, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 112—B. & S.  
*Soochow*, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. A5.  
*Taipei*, Chinese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. A25.  
*Wingchow*, British str., 2,498 tons, Capt. W. E. Earle, from Hong Kong, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 155.  
*Wong Shik Kwong*, Chinese str., 860 tons, Capt. R. A. de la Sala, from Saigon, with a cargo of rice, lying at Stonecutters—Kung Chung S.S. Co.  
April 17th.  
*Kuryolm*, British str., 3,600 tons, Capt. W. Christie, from Moji, lying at buoy No. A25—B. & S.  
*Haitung*, British str., 1,217 tons, Capt. W. S. Turnbull, from Foochow, Amoy and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas wharf—Douglas & Co.  
*Katan Maru*, Japanese str., 818 tons, Capt. S. Sato, from Swatow, with 400 tons of general cargo, lying at O.S.K. wharf—O.S.K.  
*Kinku Maru*, Japanese str., 1,230 tons, Capt. T. Kamada, from Karatsu, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 104—O.S.K.  
*Lok Sang*, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C3.  
*Yato Maru*, Japanese str., 1,352 tons, Capt. M. Murakami, from Keelung, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. C52—M.B.E.  
*Yachuan*, Chinese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. C44.  
**CLEARANCES.**  
April 18th.  
*Alouin Maru*, for Canton.  
*Armaniston*, for Saigon.  
*Balarin*, for Hoihow.  
*Borren*, for Canton.  
*Chankun Maru*, for Saigon.  
*Conjunctis*, for Canton.  
*Duo*, for Bangkok.  
*Haigang*, for Singapore.  
*Haidis*, for Saigon.  
*Heijun Maru*, for Haiphong.  
*Helena*, for Manila.  
*Henrik*, for Canton.  
*Hoi Nam*, for Kwang Chow Wan.  
*Keijo Maru*, for Swatow.  
*Kwong Lee*, for Canton.  
*Kwongchow*, for Swatow.  
*Lingshan*, for Canton.  
*Mendusan Maru*, for Takao.  
*Ming Sang*, for Hoihow.  
*President McKinley*, for Manila.  
*Purpur*, for Tarkenton.  
*Szechuen*, for Swatow.  
*Toku Maru*, for Whampoa.  
April 19th.  
*Bushu Maru*, for Takao.  
*Osaka Maru*, for Singapore.  
*Kotok Maru*, for Canton.  
*Lok Sang*, for Swatow.  
*Yachuan*, for Bangkok.  
*Taihing*, for Swatow.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Shanghai on April 14th at 8 a.m., leaves on April 20th at 7 a.m., and is due at Hongkong on April 22nd at 8 a.m. She will berth at pier No. 5, Kowloon wharf on arrival, and will sail for Manila at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 23rd.  
The *Siberian Prince*, from New York, sailed from Shanghai on the 17th inst., and is expected to arrive here on the 20th.  
The Blue Funnel liner *Ningchow*, for Genoa, Marseilles, Liverpool and Glasgow, left Shanghai on the 17th inst. for this port, and is due to arrive at Hongkong on the 20th. She will be despatched at daylight on the 21st.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

Notice is given that a light-buoy, painted red, to be known as the Shauweishan Buoy, and showing an occulting white light every 8 seconds, thus: Light, 4 seconds; eclipse, 4 seconds; has been established to mark the northern side of the fairway between Shauweishan Light-house and Drinkwater Buoy. From the buoy, Shauweishan Lighthouse bears N. 81° E., magnetic; distant 5 miles.  
Notice is given that, owing to the erosion of the shore at Taicoffen Island, the existing group-lashing light now exhibited from an octagonal black tower is liable to be discontinued without notice. In the event of this occurring, an unattended temporary acetylene flashing light will be immediately exhibited from a trestle structure towards the north-west of the existing tower. The characteristics of this temporary light will be: Light, 23 second, dark, 23 seconds. The light will be visible in clear weather at a distance of 10 nautical miles. A more powerful unattended acetylene light will, in due course, be erected on this trestle structure to replace the temporary light, and notice will be given before this permanent light is established.  
Mariners and others are notified that the power of the Flashing White Light (L) on Clerk Island will be increased on or about June 1st, 1925. Position: On the rocks off the south-eastern side of Clerk Island Lat. 12° 54' S., Long. 145° 17' E. on Chart No. 250. Power, 2,000 candles. In other respects the light will remain unaltered.

## VESSELS EXPECTED.

*Automedon* (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 30th.  
*Cyclops* (Blue Funnel), due on or about May 12th.  
*Diomed* (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 27th.  
*Empress of Asia* (C.P.R.), due April 22nd.  
*Hakozaki Maru* (N.Y.K.), due to-day.  
*Hakusan Maru* (N.Y.K.), due May 4th.  
*Neleus* (Blue Funnel), due on or about May 3rd.  
*President Jefferson* (Admiral Oriental), due April 30th.  
*President Harrison* (Dollar), due April 27th.  
*President Van Buren* (Dollar), due May 11th.  
*Sumatra* (Swedish East Asiatic), due on or about May 4th.

## SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich.  
April 20th ..... 6.00 a.m. 6.46 p.m.  
" 21st ..... 5.59 " 6.46 "  
" 22nd ..... 5.58 " 6.46 "  
" 23rd ..... 5.57 " 6.46 "  
" 24th ..... 5.57 " 6.47 "  
" 25th ..... 5.56 " 6.47 "  
" 26th ..... 5.55 " 6.48 "  
" 27th ..... 5.54 " 6.48 "  
" 28th ..... 5.53 " 6.48 "  
" 29th ..... 5.52 " 6.49 "  
" 30th ..... 5.52 " 6.49 "  
(Other Shipping News on page 9).

## WEATHER REPORT.

April 19th at 12.15.—Pressure has increased slightly to moderately at all stations, reporting. The anticyclone continues to weaken, but remains central in the Pacific to the east of Tokyo. Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 12 hours, April 19th 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 20.91 inches, against an average of 9.15 inches.  
The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 12 hours, April 20th is as follows:—  
Forecast:—  
Formosa Channel: N. winds, moderate.  
Hongkong to Gap Hook: N. or variable winds, fine generally.  
South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamoo: do.  
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: do.

## HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, April 19th.  

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	29.96	30.03	29.99
Temperature	70	64	75
Humidity	70	88	61
Wind Direction	W.	ENE	W.
Force	3	2	2
Weather	B.	( )	C
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.00

Highest open-air temperature on 18th ..... 71  
Lowest open-air temperature on 19th ..... 64

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At 8.00 a.m., Saturday, April 25th.

## RETURNING

## Leave MANILA

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At 8.00 a.m., Tuesday, April 28th.



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YOKOHAMA MARU ..... Friday, 18th May  
**MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP** via Singapore Ports.  
HAKONE MARU ..... Saturday, 25th Apr. at 11 a.m.  
SUWA MARU ..... Saturday, 9th May, at Noon.  
**HAMBURG** via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.  
TSUBASHI MARU ..... Saturday, 9th May  
**LIVERPOOL** via ADEN & MARSEILLES.  
DELAGOA MARU (calls Saigon) ..... Wednesday, 13th May  
**SYDNEY & MELBOURNE** via Manila Ports.  
AKI MARU ..... Wednesday, 2nd Apr. at 11 a.m.  
MISHIMA MARU ..... Wednesday, 20th May  
**NEW YORK and/or BOSTON** via PANAMA.  
TSUYAMA MARU ..... Monday, 11th May  
**BUENOS AIRES** via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.  
AWA MARU (calls Delagoa Bay & Port Elizabeth) ..... Friday, 8th May  
**BOMBAY** via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.  
HAKATA MARU ..... Tuesday, 29th Apr. 1st May  
TAMBA MARU ..... Friday, 1st May  
**COLOMBO** via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.  
MOJI MARU (omit Calcutta) ..... Friday, 24th Apr.  
MALACC MARU ..... Thursday, 30th Apr.  
**NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.**  
AKI MARU ..... Thursday, 14th May  
**SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.**  
HAKOZAKI MARU ..... Monday, 4th Apr. 30th Apr.  
SEIYO MARU (Moji Direct) ..... Thursday, 23rd Apr.  
TOTTOBI MARU (Moji Direct) ..... Monday, 27th Apr.  
HAKUSAN MARU ..... Tuesday, 5th May  
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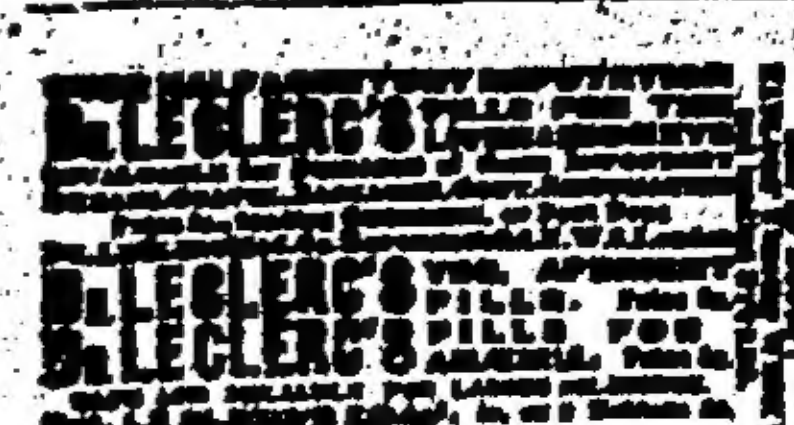
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"COBLENZ"	19th July	10th August
"ANHALT"	18th August	22nd August
"WULF"	13th September	18th September
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